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Original Poetry.

THE FAITHLESS.

WRITTEN FOR THE SATURDAY EVENING POST,
BY DAVID L. HEATH.

I saw her in her beauty as she swept the spacious
I saw the glance she cast on me—the look which told
me all!
I saw a sort of the agony—the faintly uttered sigh
Which burst from my despairing soul as she passed
proudly by!

That cruel whose tones of sweetness all were poison-
ing round to hear
That fell with soothing's open the regions
Those eyes which dazzled—dazzlingly where'er their
glance was thrown.
I had worshipped—worshipped—what but for one alone!

The spell was broken suddenly—with joy it was for-
ever
Its fetters bright and beautiful to have a longer life.
The idol's hope cast down and trust in many a
one
Who was the very hands that wove it widely into
Who was the very hands that wove it widely into
the cruel heart so passing onward with another
As dancing with her beauty and more another's
That only once her mind the cut who her to heart
Who is by her affection's gush but made her all his
A smile for every one for me—But that brilliant
A sigh—a look—a word—a look responding
A tone of joy happiness none before me sigh.
That cruel heart so wandering and bewildered me
To your soul your fine feelings—to your—no—I can-
not—

A sigh—a look—the only cause you on the spot grasp—
A thing that never shall again feel sentence to the
Shall kindly sentence to the—
That kindly sentence to Hope—and hence to Life
Augusta, Me.

Romance of History.

PERKIN WARBECK.

(CONTINUED.)

FROM RARE SOURCES OF HISTORY,
BY G. P. R. JAMES, AUTHOR OF "PHILIP AUGUSTUS," "THE FORGER," "GOWRIE," &c.

[The following narrative derives much interest from the fact that it is founded on the personal history of the hero, as related by himself to the historian. Perkin Warbeck was the son of a Tournay merchant, and was named Richard Peterquin.]

CHAPTER V.

Another glance at countries, bright and delicious, but only should I tell all that I will spare. The Duchess of Burgundy was the sister of Edward IV. and of Richard Plantagenet. The Court of Burgundy refused his prayer. His grace, his beauty, his dignity, were lost on the cold heart of Margaret. Its shell in sports and exercises was fabulous from the first. Every day he was victorious. Every day he was opposed to attract him as the affections of his kinsfolk. Tourney parties were assigned for his honour. Tilts were run with the best knights of the Court. Nothing was left undone to win him to love, and hence the house appointed to the bringing up of the future Duke of Burgundy was filled to the mouth of him who had, as Sir John Meliard, been three years before the tutor of Philip, and of the same identity, and there, too, was his title of Lords—Sire Richard, Prince Wallet of Gaul, Princes, Sire Richard Plantagenet, Sire Roger, the gentle, Sire Anglet of France, Sire Richard Plantagenet.

The name spread far and wide. Many an exiled Englishman hastened to the Court of the young prince, and some who remembered Edward IV. looked to see the marvellous resemblance between the king and his son. The recognition of Richard as the brother which had descended to him from his father, and the acknowledgment of him as the son of York, so he called him, though the Duchess of Burgundy, his aunt, would not call him those things spread beyond Flanders, and Burgundy and France. It reached the shores of England. It was whispered among the people. Richard of York was found. The rumor grew, and it was said that the son of Edward IV. was not dead, but had escaped to the Continent, and was living under the protection of the Duke of Burgundy as an established fact.

Men would fain have inquired of the young stranger if the rumor were true; but he was still living in the Court of Burgundy, and was not allowed to see people without the permission of the Duchess, who confirmed in her presence. But the prince of Henry VII. had learned that there should be no such confirmation of the rumor. He had seen Edward's children, and of his own person, on whose features he could trace the lineaments of his father's countenance. His relatives were confidential, his wealth unlimited, and he was not the man to waste either in publishing a recognition of her own rights, or asking men to support them in arms in a land of which they had no knowledge but by report.

But still the rumor went forth, still the belief gained ground. Secret meetings of noblemen who had supported the White Rose in all seasons of adversity, to deliberate and consult; and many a rich retreat, too, planning under the appearance of pleasure, or the more serious occupation of the chase, with regard a more positive, if not a more virtuous purpose. It was the hope of the house of York to regain upon the throne, and looked to the heir with hope and expectation toward the absence of Henry.

Henry was troubled on his coronet throne; but with his native prudence, resolved to be prepared against all events. To discredit the pretension of Richard, and to destroy the hope of the Yorkists, he began to impress him at the support of foreign princes was another, to either terror into the brain to make Richard, and to do so, a knowledge of the impostor his cause was a fraud. The first appearance was at the Court of Charles VIII. of France. The son of Edward IV. in the Tower, but who was then in Burgundy, was publicly declared by Henry Tudor, were now seized and imprisoned; and upon men said were to the Low Countries, to discover the truth, or to facilitate the escape of the youth who claimed the crown of England.—

Charles VIII. of France, who now found himself in the close confinement; and who shall say what were the practices used with him who knew the secret, or what promises there to confess a crime so universally to repair? Say, men, who knows what it was they did confess? All that we are sure of is, that a declaration was published in these terms, and that Charles VIII. declared, and also Maître Forrel to smother the two young princes, Richard and Richard, in their bed, and had then confessed to them and to others, it was done, to view the bodies, and without that the two children were dead. Such was the report, and it was not to be responsible done.

[It will be seen that the humble Legist of the Court of Burgundy was not of the very highest kind—but I have only assumed to relate what, rather than the Duc.

Marie Fabulous Legal page 85. Baron.

men who acknowledged the murder of their queen's brother should be immediately set at liberty, and the principal criminal, Tyrrel, were high in the favor of the king." The reported confession convinced but few; and the story which was soon circulated, founded upon the letters of Henry's agent, that the youth calling himself Richard Plantagenet, speaking the English language perfectly, without error or accent, bearing the strongest resemblance to Edward, King of England, demeaning himself in every look and gesture as a prince, was the son of a poor Flemish Jew, keeping one of the gates of Tournay, deemed too incredible for even the most willing to believe it.

To deprive Richard of York of the support of foreign princes, Henry's measures were resolute, but not altogether judicious. Under king at arms was sent to the Court of Brussels, to demand the surrender to the blood of Plantagenet, and small time in the presence his great aims. He told his story of Richard's birth in the archduke and the duchess dowager in presence of all the nobles of the land. The story was the same that Tyrrel told and confessed by all; and the quality of a herald lately saved the bold messenger from the imprisonment. Next came an ambassador, chosen from the House of Lancaster, pretending courtship to the Queen of Spain. With all the reverence he saluted the archduke, and paid equal honor to the duchess dowager, but he took no notice whatever of Richard Plantagenet, who stood, as her known servant, on her left hand.

"How is it, sir," demanded Margaret of York, "that you do not salute your cousin, the son of your father Richard, and do not even bear your head to him?"

"I say nephew Richard, madam," replied the ambassador, "that long since passed from the earth, and if you please to inquire any one in my service, I will bring him straight to the chapel of the royal palace of Windsor."

What!" exclaimed the duchess, "when we are told that the bodies were removed by the Duke of Gloucester and no knows where to repose?"

Richard had heard the insulting message delivered by parlor king at arms in silent contempt; but he could never more his countenance to the duchess

He did take his leave, and rode home to his dwelling beyond the limits of the town. He was restless, firm, composed. None of his attendants beheld a trace of agitation in his face or manner; but who shall tell the feelings of his heart during that short ride?

Oh, that human record called history, that collection of facts and falsehoods so intimately mingled together as often to be inseparable, how poor and meagre it is, even while representing the great bubbles of the earth, how unreal, how false, how mighty cretins! It tells of the rise and fall of kings, of power, of the mockery true emotions, of a sharpened brain, a battle there, a bright meeting, a gruff discourse; but does not want, does not say of the human feelings, and but few of the human thoughts does it record. Yet these two great streams of heart and mind are the rivers of life and light that flow through the mighty Garden of time. What are lasting, important acts, but the means to make man happier? What are study, exertion, discovery, but to make him wiser and better? Each man's individual sorrows or joys are portions of the great stream of life; each man's individual thoughts are parts of the great mind of man. These, however, we take no heed to reckon in history. We pass them over as things of no use here, as if they had no bearing upon the more apparent things of earth.

Here is it that the writers of the "Old Almanac," mention this epoch in the life of Richard Plantagenet: "His daughter," they say, "married the royal to a prince who acknowledged, supported, and abandoned him, there was not one who ever pretended to have been deceived. They were, at least, honest enough not to varnish their selfishness with a colouring. Charles, Duke Margrave, Hamilton, Jones, boldly announced that they gave him up because it was for their interest to do so. They never pretended to discover a fraud or to espouse and punish an imposter.

But what where the feelings of Richard Plantagenet during that ride homeward? Were they the less bitter because he knew he scarcely undeserved? Each man will judge as he feels. Had he felt that they were merited, he must have been prepared to meet with them, or must have ever known that fate, station, happiness, long upon a discovery in which a monarch might glory? Both. But when a man knows and feels himself to be true and honest, and, what is of infinitely more, of the heart it is to find that truth and honesty are to nothing in the sight of men, he must, though he have yet trusted, to be cast off by those you loved, to be sacrificed for the tiniest prize of a momentary interest. But were the feelings of Richard Plantagenet? Vain to ask, men may empty; can one see into the heart with the spectacles of history? No, certainly not. We cannot see all the magnets, we cannot distinguish all the people; but we may guestive a few of them. What had he to counsel? Keen was before him, and all around. Whither could he turn for help? Where could he find refuge? The spider policy of Henry had wound his silken web round him at every direction. France, Burgundy, Germany, Scotland, were all closed against him. Support was taken away. Refuge was denied. A single ominous future, loomed awfully through the uncertain mists of the present; and now he was no longer alone to do battle against Fate with a steel heart, as he had previously done. The time to life, the excitements to endeavor were both strengthened; but at the same time the gates were cast open to a thousand fears and regrets, and men which could find no entrance, so long as all that he valued upon the strength was his own life and fortunes. When he thought upon his beautiful and beloved bride, who might no longer cast with feelings such as he had never known before, well might he ask himself, how should he act for and be her?

To take her from her happy home and her native land, to plunge her into scenes of danger, fatigue, and strife, to remove her from affluence and ease to straightened poverty and intense wandering, would be, he thought, a cruelty and an injustice. But yet, how to part with her, how to resign that which was dearer to him than existence, how to sacrifice the brightest and the purest light that had ever shone upon his stormy way? Yet he resolved to do so. But though he had loved truly and well, he knew not all the strength of woman's affection. Catharine knew the dangers, the difficulties, the privations that lay before her; she learned to be anguish, not private the injustice that was in store. But such was not the moment that a true-hearted woman would choose to [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] with less than two hundred followers, Catharine further has what was done.

(CONCLUDED IN OUR NEXT.)

Clippings.

☞ Mr. Emerson said of England, in a recent lecture:—"She has planted herself on that little island, like the largest tree: her roots [illegible] *spread under the sea, and some tip or far away continents, and in every quarter of the world*, throwing with her language and laws, and forever perpetuating her though the first trunk (namecake and [illegible]."

☞ "Is that cream better?" asked a grocer, of a boy who had brought a quantity to market. "I should think it ought to be," replied the boy, "for cream and fat were more than two hours in the large can and water out in last night."

☞ "I think I saw one of your sermons in the 'Ledger,'" as the lawyer said when his client informed him that he had plenty of money.

☞ Lord Mansfield, in speaking of requiring the banns of marriage to be published, ensures a large number of persons to go out to the Savoy for the purpose of being joined in matrimony.

☞ It is said that in the time of Louis Napoleon, he allows his lacqueys to announce the members of the aid medium under their titles of Duke, Marquis, Baron, "as the Court of Louis XIX. were in full dinner."

☞ Paris Riots.—A meeting of the citizens of York, Pennsylvania, has been held for the purpose of entering subscriptions to construct a plank road from that place to Springfield.

☞ The Detroit Daily Commercial Bulletin has hoisted the flag of "Thomas H. Benton, our President, in 1844."

☞ The celebrated cave horse, Boston, died on Tuesday week, near the residence of Mr. Blackburn, in Kentucky. He was in his seventeenth year.

☞ The Detroit Free Press states that, a few Sabbaths since, it heard in the city west in church, leaving a child in charge of a small boy. The boy wanted to go out to play, put the child on the table, and sealed its clothes to the dinner barrel.

☞ Mehemet Ali Pacha has bestowed a small fief, set in diamonds, worth $1,000, upon Carl, the inventor of the revolver, as a token of his appreciation of that death-dealing weapon.

☞ The commissioners appointed in England to inquire into the propriety of marriage with the sister of a deceased wife, have reported that they find, from a mass of evidence, that marriages of this kind are permitted, by dispensation or otherwise, in all the continental States of Europe."

☞ A new metallic pen, called the "Albata and Commercial Pen," made of a new composition, with platina points, has been received by Mr. J. W. Moore, 193 Chesnut Street, and is highly spoken of.

☞ Two men were recently strangled to death at Boston, in consequence of pieces of meat being lodged in their throats.

☞ The largest hotel in America has just been completed in Cincinnati, at a cost of $600,000. It will lodge 150 persons.

☞ The Boston Evening Gazette states that it is reported that Abraham Lincoln was nominated at the State Prison a few days previous to the expiration of his sentence, in order to restore to him the privilege of a citizen. He was received on the most cordial manner by his wife and friends in New Bedford.

☞ The whole amount of damage by fire in St. Louis, during the last year, was $3,000, upon which there was an insurance to the amount of $2,887,500.

☞ Insects of London.—Two hundred miles of streets have been added during the last seven years. Villages which, a few years since, were ten or twelve miles distant, are now part of the metropolis.

☞ Curious Marriage.—On Sunday, the 20th of December, by the Rev. Mr. Page, Daniel William Simmons, aged fifteen years, to Miss Sarah Simmons, aged fourteen, all of Pendleton County, Virginia.

☞ Mr. Huntington, the author of "Long Ago, or the Nine Days' Wonder," is now in Calcutta.

☞ We shall have to forgive George Lippard some of the many bad things he has said, if he says many more things like the following:

—Henry Clay made a speech the other day, in favor of the Union, with a piece of Washington's coffin in his hand. If it said that Franklin intended to reply in favor of Humanity, with a piece of Andrew's coffin in his hand. He has said to England for the peace."

☞ Mr. Buchanan's visit to Washington is assumed for the purpose of giving his aid to effect some compromise on the Slavery question.

☞ The N. Y. Sun says that the Camden and Amboy Company have reduced the fare on their emigrant line from $6.50 to $5.50.

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TO POSTMASTERS.

We trust our old friends, the Postmasters, will exert themselves and get up large Clubs for the Mammoth Post; as if they do not feel inclined to take advantage of our liberal offer, nevertheless that they will show our Prospectus to some other influential and responsible person who will be willing to do so. We think there need be no great difficulty in getting subscribers to the enlarged paper, as those who will take the trouble to compare it with the other weekly papers, cannot fail to perceive its vastly superior value and cheapness. Let if be remembered, also, that the *postage is just the same on a first class paper, as on the meanest and poorest of the small varieties.*

NOTICE.

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All persons addressing letters to us should be careful to give the name of the State as well as of the town to which they live.

Post Masters are often sending for Clubs, would confer a favor by having them sent to our address when they can do so conveniently.

TO CORRESPONDENTS.

☞ We have received a letter from a land that we cherish like no spot on earth, but one time is so much occupied, that we must defer it to our next. We are in error whether answers ever are written to them.—"Fragments" are not popular—in type, but our time through every week with what is absolutely necessary for the paper.

☞ The matter of determining the merit of articles sent to us for insertion by friends and readers, is one of the most delicate of editorial duties. We would be like to oblige everybody. But, if we were to do so, we should lose the character of the paper, and then no one would receive its approval at an estimate. We have, therefore, to adopt the only practical course, rejecting about nineteen out of twenty of the articles sent us, and we always regret to be obliged in accepting the remainder.

☞ W. H. Your remarks are excellent, but we cannot come to hand. As you will see by the above, we are overwhelmed with matter, and have to reject many which we kept in order by language and by exercise. We have been in the habit of walking around the general was as much their companion as their chief. I know no character very favorable to them, and Rome ever carried the number of military disciplines to that which we see in the armies of the Romans; but that did not prevent Alexander from [illegible] [illegible] [illegible] [illegible]

The above is so clear and convincing that we conceive it scarcely possible to add anything to make its force more apparent. But we cannot refrain from the army and navy in from England, our law-makers have not sufficiently discriminated between the grains of the two peoples, nor made due allowance for the difference in their circumstances. The Czar of Russia is a great disciplinarian—probably the greatest that lives; the Russian troops are the best machines of any in Europe, and yet few thousand American volunteers, with only a few months' drilling, would be more than a match for

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THE POUSSIN DIFFICULTY.

An American gentleman travelling in Europe, writes home that in the course of a recent conversation with the French [illegible] Minister of Foreign Affairs, De Turgot—, that gentleman distinctly admitted the, as we have often given reason to in his [illegible]correspondence, owing to erroneous information which he had received from his colleague, the Minister of the Marine, as to the law of salvage, which it will be remembered, was one of the questions involved in the case of Commodore Carpender, and furnished the occasion to M. Poussin of offering an indignity to American navy which terminated in his dismissal. M. De Turgot while expressed his regret at the misunderstanding which had occurred between the two Governments, and especially as it had been occasioned by his own misapprehension of the usage among nations.

THE HOME ASSOCIATION.

The Temperance Home Association will hold a public meeting in Sansom Street Hall, above Ninth Street, on Saturday evening, the 16th inst., at 7½ o'clock. The Rev. A. D. Gillette, and Mr. Henry Gibbons will address the meeting. The frequent calls for such an institution, where many, industrious women, (though poor and friendless) may be safe from fraud and imposition, make the friends of the cause earnestly desirous to see the proposed "Home" opened as soon as possible. They feel assured, too, of the ability of the association were fully understood, the benevolent Philadelphians would cheerfully furnish the few and the funds necessary for its permanent establishment.

Curious Facts.—A curious fact is mentioned in the Wesleyan (Irish) Guardian, in reference to Dr. Loughley, who was confined in jail, and who lasted for forty days. The reason for abstaining was caused by a total loss of appetite, nausea, and a disinclination to eat. The stomach of the body ceased to perform the functions of the animal economy, with the exception of the heart and lungs; and it is a curious circumstance, also, that during that time the weight remained the same, with three stones, less by two pounds, making exactly a loss of forty pounds, being one pound per day he ceased to eat.

A Writer Language of What Appears.—One of the North Lane Agents of the Church Mission Society, of Dublin, the Rev. Mr. Kolle, has discovered a written language, existing in the interior of West Africa, in which he writes. Mr. Koelle says that the alphabet consists of about one hundred letters, each representing a syllable. The language is said to be easy to learn, as the analogy with any other known. Mr. Koelle has also composed a small grammar of the language, and sent proof from which the Vy nation can be reached, with the assistance to investigate fully this interesting discovery.

Burns or Hearse.—The number of deaths during the last month in this city was 745—adults 474, and children 271.

Congressional News.

THIRTY-FIRST CONGRESS.

SENATE.

On the 7th, the Senate was more densely crowded than it ever has been before, the ladies having given up all reasonable places to hear Mr. Clay's speech on the resolutions of compromise.

On motion of Mr. Foote, the Senate took up Mr. Clay's resolutions, as modified by himself.

Mr. Foote moved the addition of another resolution, which was rejected, and 7 copies ordered to be printed.

Mr. Cass, one supposing into the property at present occupied by the public offices, such as the Treasury, the Department of State, &c., the Committee of Finance to consider and report whether any, and what, portion of the property of the United States should be disposed of, and other Honorable names. The resolution was adopted.

The Senate then proceeded to the consideration of Mr. Clay's resolutions, as modified by himself.

It is to have not room for his speech in full, and as the telegraphic report does not amount to much about three columns, we prefer to wait for the speech as supplied, we shall give now that space will be sufficient for the whole.

Mr. Clay said, in reference to the power of Congress over the Territories, that he thought it was best to think that a greater measure might be implied than was expressed in the words of the constitution and the authority of the Territories would not Congress have the right, under the power to make all needful rules and regulations, to prohibit institutions? He contended, also, that Congress had such power to prohibit slavery under the treaty-making power.

He contended that the power existed somewhere—that it could not be annihilated. Means were given to the Government to effect all the great objects mentioned, certainly not such power, and that power must necessarily be vested in the Congress of the United States—the Congress of the Confederation or Federation of States. The right to acquire territory was not denied to Congress by any one, and the right to govern it was not denied by any one. Mr. Clay said, he did not think that the right to acquire, we have the right to govern.

Before Mr. Clay had concluded, he yielded to a motion to adjourn.

On the 8th, Mr. Mangum presented a resolution of the Legislature of North Carolina, in favor of the admission of Wilmington, North Carolina, as a port of entry, which was referred to the Committee on Commerce.

Mr. Hale objected to the reception of the resolutions of the Legislature of Georgia, which had been presented on the previous day, because he did not think that a greater measure ought to be brought before the Senate than was necessary for the satisfaction of the authorities of the State of Tennessee, would not Congress have the right, under the power to make all needful rules and regulations,

Selected Poetry.

THE GRAVE OF BYRON.

FROM THE SOUTHERN LITERARY MESSENGER.

It is a shrine where poets bend
In silent adoration
Of one, who living, paved the world,
And, departed, smiled on oblivion;
A world which knew not his master love
Its early impel with madness,
Save not that in its bitter depth
Was one soul with strength to awaken.

As from the wind-harp, o'er whose chords
The stormy blast is roaming,
So from thy soul the music burst,
By passion's power awaking
Tear, then, still bending on the gulf
That rave their wee grief,
Did'st make a lyre, whose measure knew
No coloring tone in Heaven.

And still with sadness sweet we think
The while, on one possessing
All thy deep wealth of sentiment,
And yet unlimned—unbreathing,
O'erung from beauty that might have loved,
A home that might have kept thee,
Thy passion's power is pleading
Yet, then, still bending on the gulf
That rave their wee grief,
Did'st make a lyre, whose measure knew
No coloring tone in Heaven.

Yet so for that we love to seek—
The boy hope wide to thy cadenced ear,
Thy bulging sons have not died,
As ever on love's breast found place
On thy waving tomb is a pitiful head
Thou shalt never to lighter grief speak;
While a wanderer sits in the cypress shade
And swings and sings in the mournful shade.

Oh! great scourge of our southern wrath,
I dream of thee still as I dreamed of thee then,
Though our manner seems now the same flesh,
And the world has become kinder to us,
I think of thee still with a sweet regret,
As the exchange pulses to my poetic grasp—
Dost thou spring and sing in our woodlands yet?
Does the meadow swing in the quiet copse?

Selected Sketch.

THE FAWN OF PASCAGOULA.

By

THE CHICAPA GIRL OF MOBILE.

[The following romantic story, is from a Journal of the Ladies Fair, of Mobile, called "The Bow of Cupid." We copy it from the N. O. Picayune.]

Shall I tell you a story of real life, as romantic and absorbing as any you will find on fiction? Well—listen! Every citizen of Mobile is familiar with the sight of the Indian girls who are seen in any streets in the winter. With their little bundles of light wood upon their backs, they walk the streets of our city under as regularly as the morning-bell and the carriages announce the approach of spring. They peddle their small parcels of pine from door to door, and all are familiar with the soft, quick, persuasive tones in which they exclaim "ebongue," as they offer their cheap burdens for sale.

These Indian girls, it is well known, belong to certain Choctaw families who continue to emigrate with their tribe beyond the Mississippi, and yet linger upon their aboriginal hunting grounds, on the waters of the pearl and the Pascagoula. Though they thus exhibit an unconquerable attachment to their native soil, they have yet refused to adopt the habits, language or pursuits of the whites, by whom they are surrounded, and are perversely indifferent to all the inducements of civilization. They persist in tending a species of savage, gipsy life—the most sustaining thereof, derived by hunting, and the women by tending wheretofore and other wild fruit in the summer, and loading of pine in the winter. With these simple predictions they visit Mobile semi-annually, and for the time reside in the vicinity, in small huts or camps, constructed of bark, boughs and the limbs of trees. This has been their usage from time immemorial, and if not customary.

These Indians are generally a miserable and ignorant race, but with all their degradation, they possess some of the virtues in a meagre degree. The women are proverbially chaste and modest, and of all the young girls that annually visit our city, none have been known to depart from the paths of rectitude, or strong interest, therefore surrounds these simple daughters of the woods, who resist all the blandishments of their relatives, and pass unharmed through the streets of our city. Many of them are quite handsome, and possess, beneath their rustic garbs, the rarest gems and the red blanket—considerable graces of manner and appearance. As they promptly refuse to talk English, very little conversation can be had with them, and that only in reference to the small bargains which they have to make. Charms and potpourri are almost the only words which they employ in their intercourse with our inhabitants. Still they are not reserved in their movements, where they wish to make purchases, and visit the different houses of the city, stores, dwellings, and offices, without hesitation, ceremony or annoyance. Who has not been startled, many a morning, by the low voice, at the chamber-door, exclaiming, "ebongue."

The stoical demeanor of these Choctaw maidens has often led to the impression that they are destitute of the natural sensibilities and sentiments of their sex. They have bright flashing eyes, well developed, symmetrical and flexible forms, beautiful small hands and feet, and shew, in their low but brilliant articles of trade, rings, beads and other personal decorations, the taste and vanity of their civilized sisters. Occasionally that taste or indication of these delicate sympathies and tender affections which have marked women in all other climates and conditions of life. The question has no doubt suggested itself to many, as an interesting problem of character. In one instance, at least, an attempt—perhaps a heartless one—was made to solve it, and it is for that, the writer thinks I have to tell others. It came to my knowledge, as all its details, but I will attempt to narrate it as such a romance as not to destroy the reality with particulars, which he can imagine for himself.

Among the Choctaw gipsies who visited Mobile, in the winter of 1846, was one of unusual beauty and attractiveness, though scarcely developed into womanhood—not more than seventeen—none having passed the rude bounds of her infancy—she was yet full-eyed-limbed, straight and graceful—a very model of feminine form. Her features, though prominent and regular than is usual with her tribe, were delicately sculptured, and the rarest attitude of her beauty, which had large, dove-like eyes, and abundant coal-black hair always neatly plaited in massive folds, gave to her appearance an air of elegance, such as the poetic fancies of Fenelon-on is said to have possessed. Her dress was extremely neat, though with a large number of silver and wampum ornaments, and her coral bead, and many of the first possessions on Dauphin ought have entered, were unusually decent in appearance unassociated in the most lawful style, with many elegant bands. As she walked about the streets of Mobile, arranged in this way, with her pure of pure young arms at her shoulders, she attracted the attention of all spectators for her beauty, though the words held associated with most attempt to the name, which she endeavored to disguise of her burden.

Much attempt was made to tell on the young girl, and many efforts were made to learn something of her character and history. Nothing but that she was a gipsy, and that was told by "Capt. Billy," a dealer in Indians, who had been on particular visits in our streets, that she was the daughter of an Indian chief of much note, who died among the Choctaw, leaving her an only child, with her mother, to their cabin on the Pascagoula. Her history had made her a gipsy, quite a belle with the young Choctaw warriors, but she was very shy, and was called in the Indian tongue, The Wild Fawn of Pascagoula. She supported her mother, who was very old, and her self, by her traffic in berries and "lightwood." Her personal charms made her one of the most successful dealers in these articles, and every year, particularly the young men of Mobile, were glad to give the preference, in their patronage to the young and exclusive creature. Many were the efforts to gain her smiles and enlist her in conversation, but they were all in vain. She would go her daily round, enter with entire nonchalance the rooms or offices of her patrons, deposit her little load of pine, receive her dime, and then quickly retire with the stoics in her heels to procure another parcel.

Things glided on in this way for some months, during the winter at which I speak. At last an event occurred which tested the stoicism and character of the young Fawn of Pascagoula. Among those whom she daily supplied with lightwood was a young lawyer residing in an office in the second story of a building on one of our principal streets. Admiring the beauty of his timid visitor, and feeling a strong interest in her, he determined to the favor of her could not by kindness of manner, deferential attention, and by gifts of various kinds. The heart of this simple child of the woods. Though his motives was mainly curiosity, his purposes were art-less, and he had no idea of doing more injury to the object of his experiment—by paying her those attentions which he had found potent to enchain the admiration and win the love of more enlightened and accomplished females. He was a man of uncommon personal beauty, and singularly interesting manners, and all these he brought to bear, as well as he could, to effect his amusement, and, as he thought, harmless flirtation.

It is needless to detail the arts resorted to by Henry Howard to win the heart of the Fawn of Pascagoula. He began by the most exquisite deferential manner; he purchased from her, much more frequently than he needed, supplies of fuel, paid her liberally for some time, and took her presents of trinkets, pictures, and little ornaments of dress, and accumulated kindness in every way to her apparent wishes. These things continued for some weeks, at last began to have interest for her. The Fawn turned longer in her visits at his office than elsewhere; she always came therefirst; and he could see a change in her dress and tissue. At length she began to answer his remarks in such few words of English as she could command, and to look upon his handsome and fascinating countenance with pleasure amidst her unrestrained silence. The spell evidently began to work! Henry Howard understood the secret of woman's heart; here he had to deal with not an untutored Indian girl, as timid as a hare, and whose spring of affection and sympathy could only be determined by the ordinary standards of feeling.

Do not think that I am depicting these delicate arts of fascination by which the battle-maker lures and captivates the humming bird. There was no purpose of evil in the heart of the gay young lawyer. He was but practicing, with a simple savage heart, these tricks and elegancies of intercourse, which are recognized as legitimate in civilized society. He wished to see how these affections of love, developed in the tender beauty of the forest, so are to be found with the polished belle of the ballroom and the drawing-room. The probability was not that the experiment would not succeed—a result would therefore think it harmless.

Months had passed in this way, and Henry Howard of a had determined to close the scene by one demonstration of his love, to the Fawn of Pascagoula. One cold morning in February, just as he last finished a fire, he placed in her hand a ring—a diamond, and well known worn, as the speaker assured, plain ring. Accompanying the present, "Chapee" Arrayed in her most beautiful dress, with a shawl of silver around her hair, and long ornaments of the same falling from her graceful neck, the Fawn stood before him. She threw her arrival at plea the hearth, and looked smilingly at her visitor. In his most graceful manner he approached her, and took her unclasped hand in his own. Seeing the ring, he carried her wrist with his arm, and, drawing her to him, imprinted upon her lips a long and fervent kiss. Meantime she looked into his face, with a slight expression of surprise but not dissatisfaction; and then he pressed her to his warm and eagerly wants ed love. Neither were these coldly received by her. The young and smart widower had been so little interested in the object of his attentions. As he was absent, however, to repeat his kisses, the new started like a fawn, by a quick movement, released herself from his embraces, and glided across the room.

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As she said this, she drew her red blanket expressly about her as over a fashionable belle dressed her magical hat, and glided from the room and door. Struck as motionless as a statue, the sir. Henry Howard remained for some minutes, gazing at the door through which the young fawn-like form had passed a vanished. Then, with a quick pardon—he even widely open—a look of wonder and doubt upon his handsome face.

"Is it possible?" he exclaimed. "Is it possible? Caught in my own trap! Jilted by an Indian! Ha, ha, ha—good—good—and all right! By Tecumseh and Pushmataha! I must take care my self from the laughter of the whole city, or be the jest of the whole world! Excellent experiment upon Choctaw character, to discover whether these Choctaw girls have not affections of the same purity and delicacy as our own, are satisfied. The Fawn of Pascagoula is a heroine! She has shown a degree of delicate sensitiveness with the timid gentleness of a fawn, and the pride and spirit of a queen. I am completely as if could have been done by any fashionable coquette, in a gilded saloon, by the light of chandeliers. Well, that's something after all."

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Science and Art.

A TERRIBLE WEAPON.—A new death-dealing weapon, in the shape of a rifle, has just been brought out in New York—that, besides its many legitimate uses among sportsmen, must make war still further unpracticable. It is known as Jennings' Patent rifle is designed to be one of most useless expense, and by the great difficulty of capping and priming each shot, and also by the impossibility of firing more than one shot at a time that we have never been equalled. The inventor of this weapon has, however, succeeded in the object of his experiment—by paying her those attentions which he had found potent to enchain the admiration and win the love of more enlightened and accomplished females. He was a man of uncommon personal beauty, and singularly interesting manners, and all these he brought to bear, as well as he could, to effect his amusement, and, as he thought, harmless flirtation.

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Selected Articles.

THE SUPREME COURT OF THE UNITED STATES.

The Washington correspondent of the New York Tribune gives the following description of the Judges of the Supreme Court. It is, as the Whole, a pretty fair daguerreotype—save in the painting of Judge Grier, who is as Democratic, and what is called in Pennsylvania a "Scots Irishman"—and one of great ability, too.

One of the most interesting visits in Washington is to the Supreme Court of the United States. The Court Room is in the Northern wing of the Capitol, on the ground floor. It is broken by pillars and arched walls, and is badly lighted. It is not inconveniently furnished, with rich Wilton carpets, &c. The light is admitted from the rear window alone, the Judges sit with their backs to the light; the counsel who address them have their faces in shadow. As 11 o'clock they enter deliberately, all dressed in black, and with gowns. After they are seated, the crier proclaims the Court open in the Narrowin ways